Terrorist incidents in the country

†816. DR. ABRAR AHMED :Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of terrorist incidents occurred, number of persons and terrorists killed in them during the last three years alongwith quantum of arms and ammunition captured;

(b) the efforts being made by Government to check such incidents effectively in future and also the efforts made by Government at the international level; and

(c) whether terrorist incidents have also started to take place in Rajasthan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK): (a) As per available information, 11,634 incidents took place in J&K in last 3 calendar years (2000-2002) killing 2851 civilians and 5247 terrorists. In North-Eastern States, 1961 civilians and 1727 extremists were killed in 4614 incidents during the corresponding period. During this period, 3852 left wing extremist incidents took place killing 1596 civilians and 571 extremists. In this period, 5950, 1761 and 1845 arms were recovered in J&K, North-Eastern Region and left wing affected States, respectively.

(b) In order to deal with the situation, the Government has adopted a well-coordinated and multi-pronged approach for tackling the activities of terrorists which includes strengthening the border management, galvanizing the intelligence machinery, neutralizing plans of ISI by will-coordinated intelligence based operations, setting up of outposts of security forces in vulnerable areas and modernization and upgradation of police and security forces with sophisticated weapons and communication system etc. Steps taken by the Government have resulted in neutralization of various terrorist modules.

Diplomatic initiatives have also been taken with various countries to enlist their support in countering the activities of militant groups.

(c) As per available information, 12 espionage cases and 3 Pak backed terrorist modules were busted during 2000-2002 in Rajasthan.

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